

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S335–S382

Measures Introduced: Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2040–2047, and S. Res. 295. **Pages S370–71**

Measures Passed:

Congratulating New England Patriots: Senate agreed to S. Res. 295, congratulating the New England Patriots on their victory in Super Bowl XXXVIII. **Pages S377–78**

National School Counseling Week: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 292, designating the week beginning February 2, 2004, as “National School Counseling Week”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S378–79**

National Mentoring Month: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 294, designating January 2004 as “National Mentoring Month”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S378–79**

Mammography Quality Standards Reauthorization Act: Senate passed S. 1879, to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend provisions relating to mammography quality standards. **Page S379**

Safe Transportation Equity Act: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1072, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs. **Pages S343–60**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 75 yeas to 11 nays (Vote No. 7), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the bill. **Page S360**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of the bill at 10:30 a.m., on Tuesday, February 3, 2004. **Page S360**

Messages from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, The Budget of the United States Government for fiscal year 2005; referred jointly to the Committees on Appropriations and on the Budget. (PM–62) **Pages S369–70**

Appointments

Commission on Review of Overseas Military Facility Structure of the United States: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 108–132, Section 128, appointed the following individual to the Commission on Review of Overseas Military Facility Structure of the United States: Major General Lewis E. Curtis III, USAF (Retired). **Pages S379–80**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

William Hardiman, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Building Sciences for a term expiring September 7, 2006.

Sue Ellen Wooldridge, of Virginia, to be Solicitor of the Department of the Interior.

William T. Hiller, of Ohio, to be a Member of the National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board for a term expiring November 25, 2006. (Reappointment)

Juan R. Olivarez, of Michigan, to be a Member of the National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board for a term expiring November 25, 2006. (Reappointment)

Maria Otero, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Institute of Peace for a term expiring January 19, 2007. (Reappointment)

Richard Kenneth Wagner, of Florida, to be a Member of the National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board for a term expiring November 25, 2006.

Isaac Fulwood, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission for a term of six years.

Raymond L. Finch, of Virgin Islands, to be Judge for the District Court of the Virgin Islands for a term of ten years. (Reappointment)

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps.

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Privilege of the Floor: **Page S377**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today.
(Total—7) **Page S360**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 1 p.m., and adjourned at 6:57 p.m., until 9:45 a.m., on Tuesday, February 3, 2004. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S380.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 882, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide improvements in tax administration and taxpayer safe-guards, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

An original bill entitled "National Employee Savings and Trust Equity Guarantee Act"; and

An original bill entitled "Highway Reauthorization and Excise Tax Simplification Act of 2004".